

Memorandum

Date: July 8, 2003

To: Management Agencies

Project Agencies

From: Department of Water Resources


Subject: **Release of Environmental Water Account Assets (Kern County Water Agency) to the State Water Project as Payment for Past Fish Actions**

The purpose of this memorandum is to document the concurrence of the EWA Management Agencies to the release of EWA water to the State Water Project. The Management Agencies concur in the release of 97,400 acre-feet, as described on the attached table, to the State Water Project as payment for fish actions taken pursuant to the CALFED Record of Decision to provide for fish protection above the regulatory baseline requirements at no uncompensated water cost to the Projects.

The Department of Water Resources scheduled delivery of 97,400 acre-feet from San Luis Reservoir to the EWA in O'Neill Forebay as follows: 60,624.48 acre-feet between June 28 and September 30, 2002; 7,180 acre-feet between March 28 and April 2, 2003; and 29,595.52 acre-feet beginning May 1, 2003. The cost associated with the purchase of this water is also identified in the attached table. The Management Agencies have concurred in the release of this water to the SWP as it is made available in O'Neill Forebay. As a result of this instantaneous release of 97,400 acre-feet, no additional costs for conveyance or storage will be incurred by the EWA. Any operational costs or credits associated with the acquisition, storage, and delivery from San Luis Reservoir to O'Neill Forebay will be determined as the water is released and will be applied in a future settlement of all EWA costs and credits.



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**Environmental Water Account
Executed Water Purchase Agreements**

Agency	Date Purchased	Amount of Purchased Water (acre-feet)	Purchase Cost
Kern County Water Agency/Department of Interior Bureau of Reclamation/Department of Water Resources	June 28, 2002	97,400	\$17,672,730
TOTAL		97,400	\$17,672,730